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WHAT'S "KNOT" TO LOVE...
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IS THAT ALL YOU'VE GOT?
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BIG TROUBLE in LITTLE STATION SQUARE!

PART ONE

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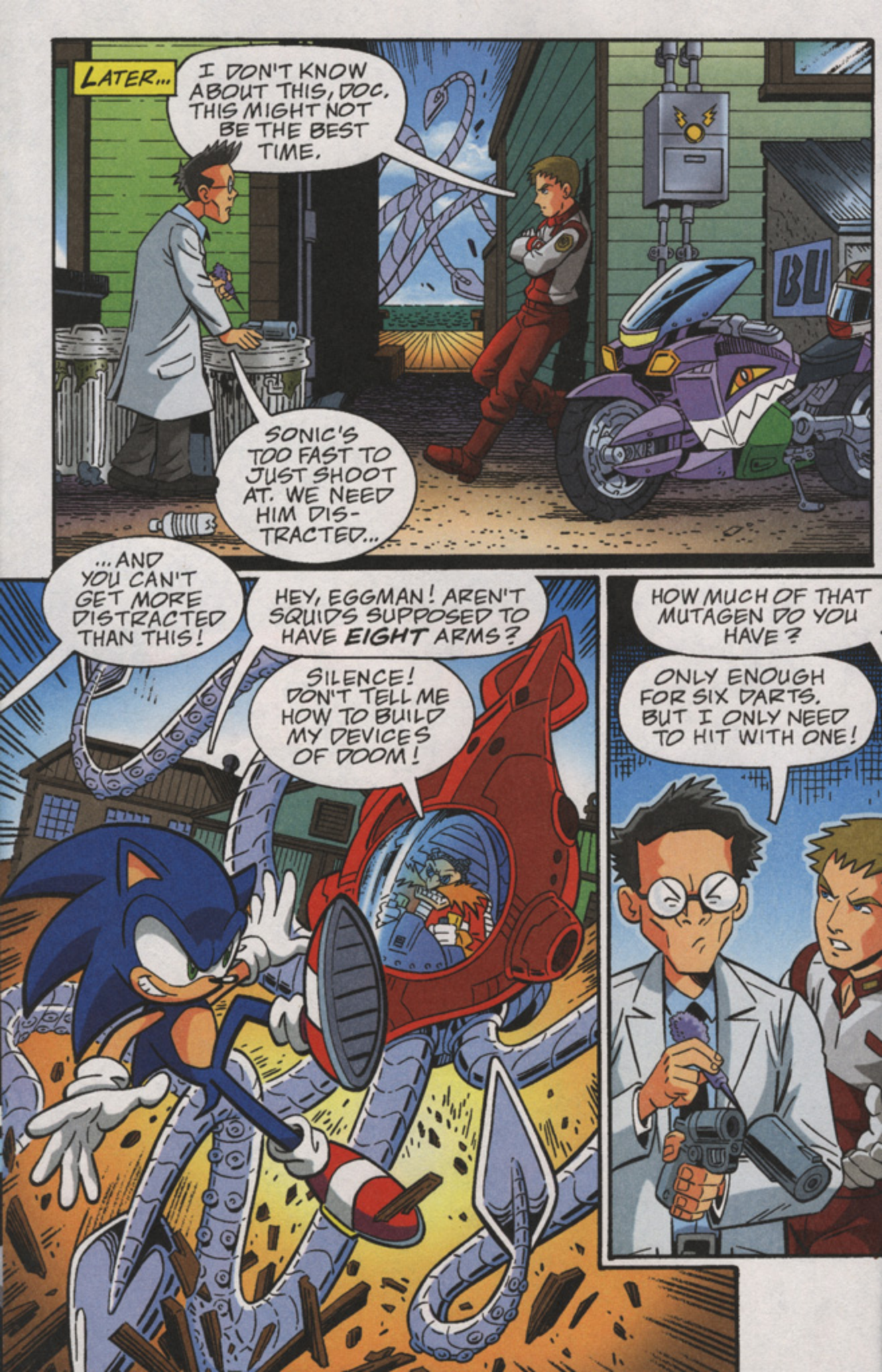
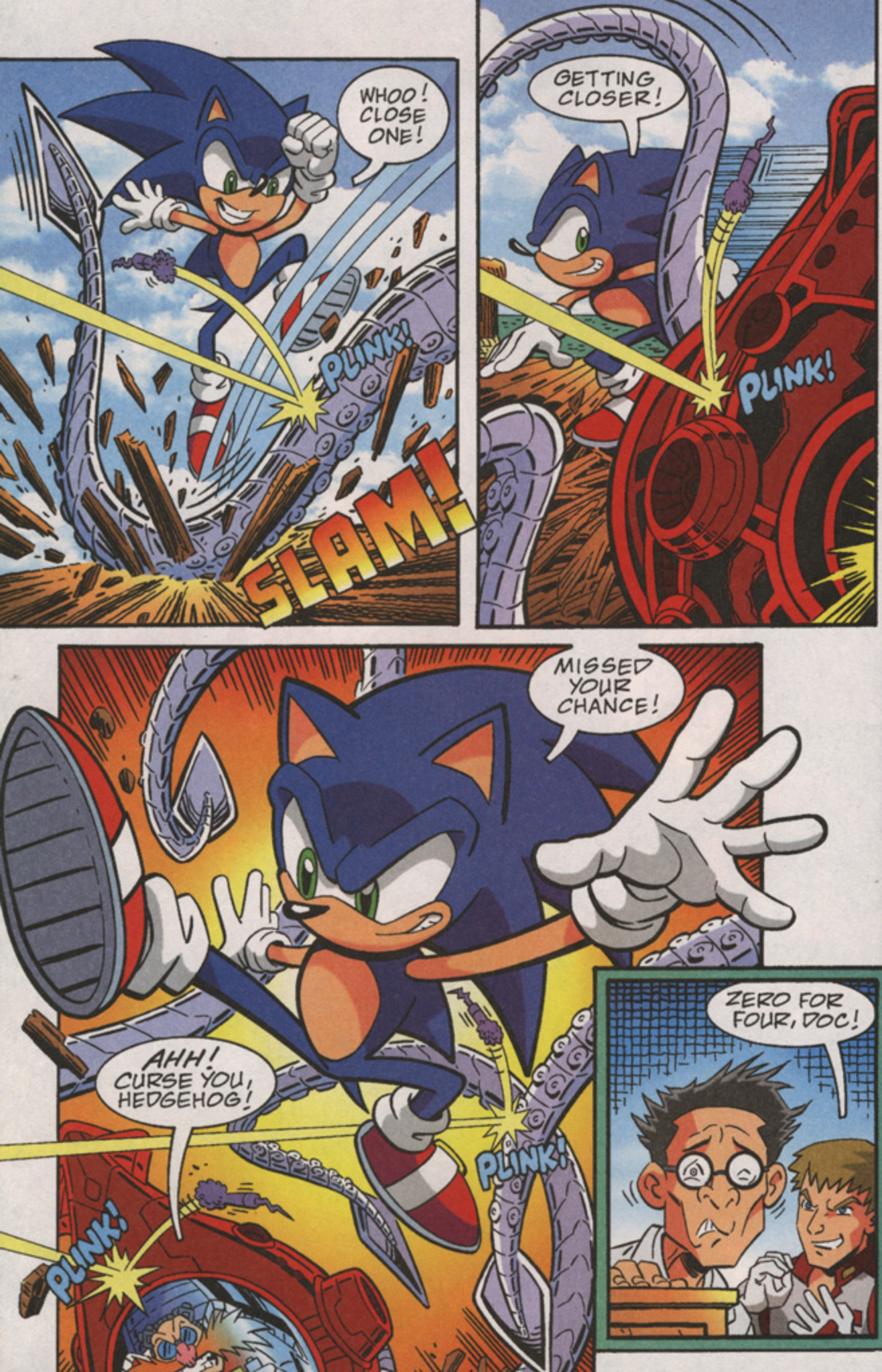
IT'S BAD ENOUGH OUR GROUP'S NAME SOUNDS LIKE A FAN CLUB!
I-I'M SORRY! O-ONCE WE HAVE ENOUGH OF A BUDGET TO RENAME--!
SAVE IT, MR. WISE.
YOUR FIRST MISSION CAUGHT SONIC, BUT HE GOT AWAY. DO I BLAME YOUR TRAPS, WARDEN WATCHER? OR YOUR POOR LEADERSHIP, COMMANDER PASSER?
WE DIDN'T GET VERY FAR WITH OUR LAST PLAN SINCE MR. DRAGG HERE COULDN'T KIDNAP THE PRESIDENT!
Ahem!

WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY, DR. NARASU? YOUR CLONES WERE OUR MOST COSTLY MISTAKE!
I PREFER TO LEARN FROM OUR MISTAKES, NOT DWELL ON THEM.
THE IDEA OF EXPOSING SONIC FOR THE MONSTER HE IS REMAINS VALID. THE CLONES WERE THE WRONG APPROACH. I SEE THAT NOW.
INSTEAD OF MAKING MORE OF THE ENEMY, WE NEED TO FOCUS ON THE ONE WE ALREADY HAVE!
WHAT'S YOUR PLAN THIS TIME, DOCTOR?
WITH THIS!

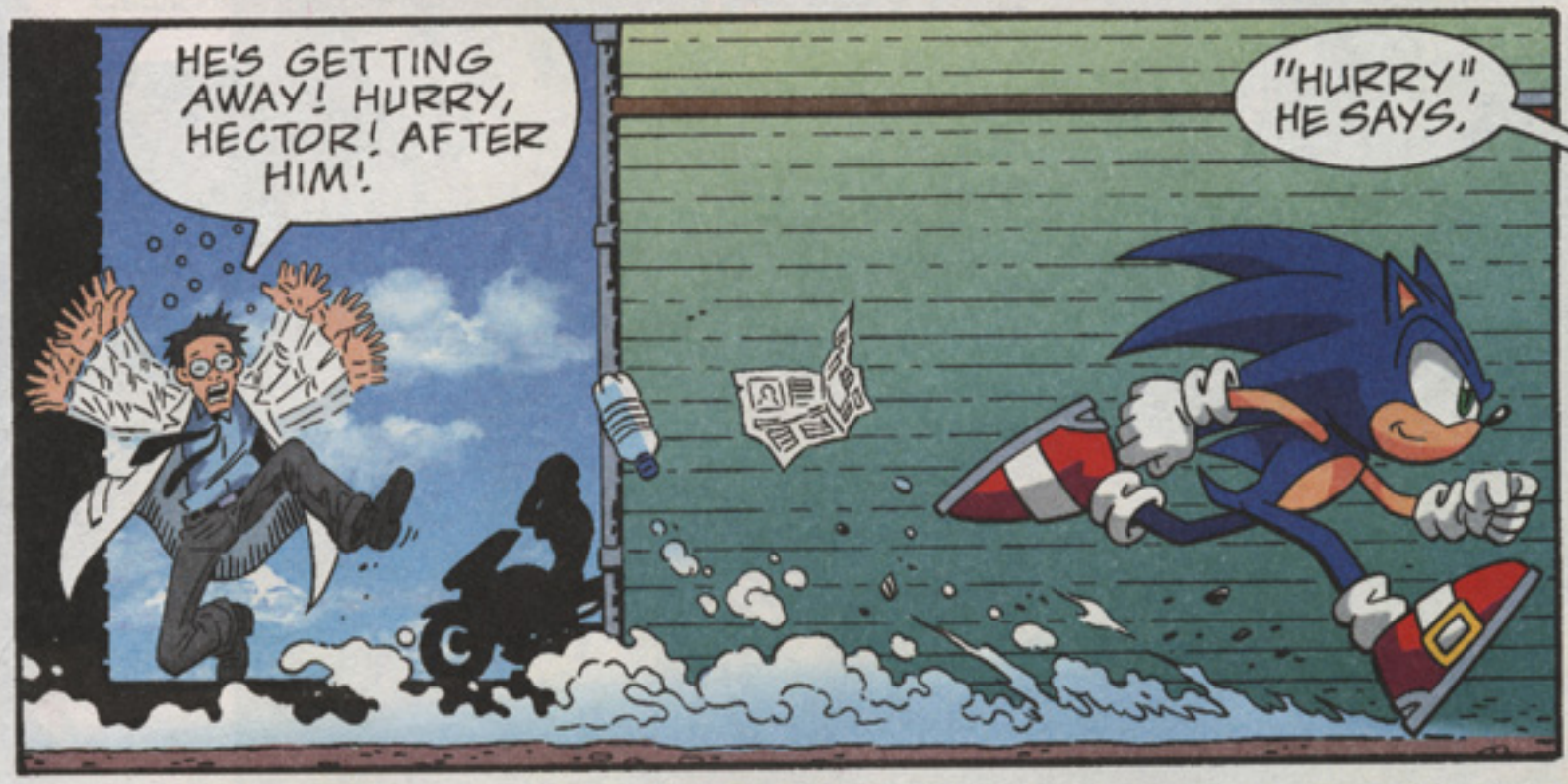
WITH GRAPE JUICE?
THIS IS A HIGHLY-VIRAL MUTAGEN! ONE SMALL INJECTION AND SONIC WILL TRANSFORM INTO THE MONSTER WE KNOW HIM TO BE!
Hmm. THIS HOLDS SOME PROMISE.
HECTOR, YOU'LL BE THE DRIVER ON THIS MISSION.
YOU GOT IT, BOSS! SONIC WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT HIM!


LATER...
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS, DOC. THIS MIGHT NOT BE THE BEST TIME.
SONIC'S TOO FAST TO JUST SHOOT AT. WE NEED HIM DISTRACTED...
...AND YOU CAN'T GET MORE DISTRACTED THAN THIS!
HEY, EGGMAN! AREN'T SQUIDS SUPPOSED TO HAVE EIGHT ARMS?
SILENCE! DON'T TELL ME HOW TO BUILD MY DEVICES OF DOOM!
HOW MUCH OF THAT MUTAGEN DO YOU HAVE?
ONLY ENOUGH FOR SIX DARTS. BUT I ONLY NEED TO HIT WITH ONE!


WHOO! CLOSE ONE!
PLINK!
SLAM!
GETTING CLOSER!
PLINK!
MISSED YOUR CHANCE!
AHH! CURSE YOU, HEDGEHOG!
PLINK!
PLINK!
ZERO FOR FOUR, DOC!

KA-POW!

NEXT TIME, SONIC! NEXT TIME!
YEAH, YEAH, I'VE HEARD THAT BEFORE!

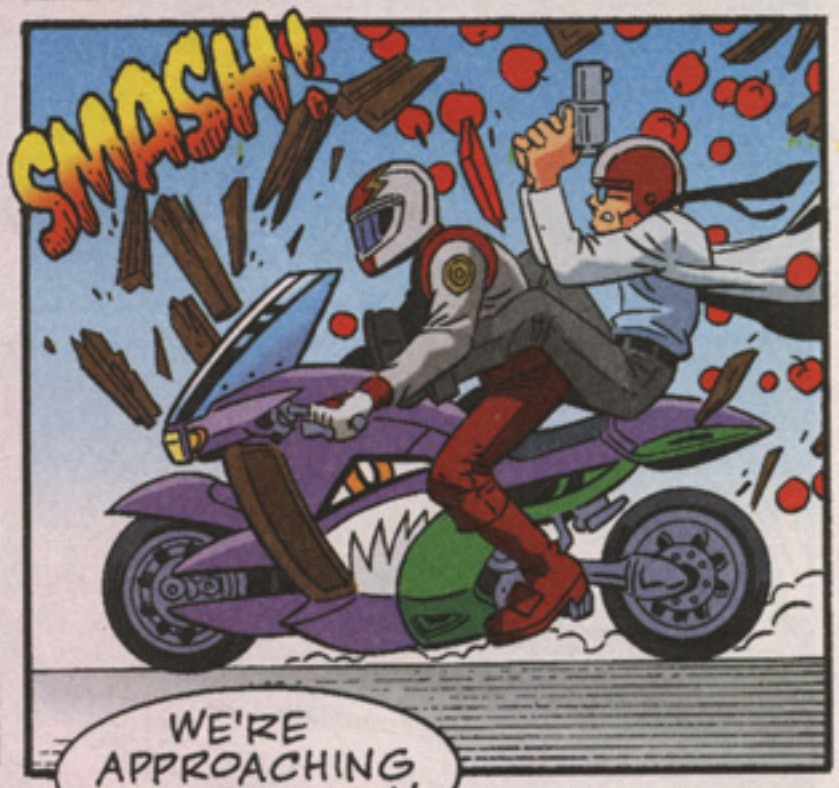

HE'S GETTING AWAY! HURRY, HECTOR! AFTER HIM!
"HURRY", HE SAYS.

SKREEEEEEE!
NOT SO FAST! NOT SO FAST!
WE'LL LOSE HIM OTHER-WISE!
VROOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOM!

'SCUSE ME, FOLKS!

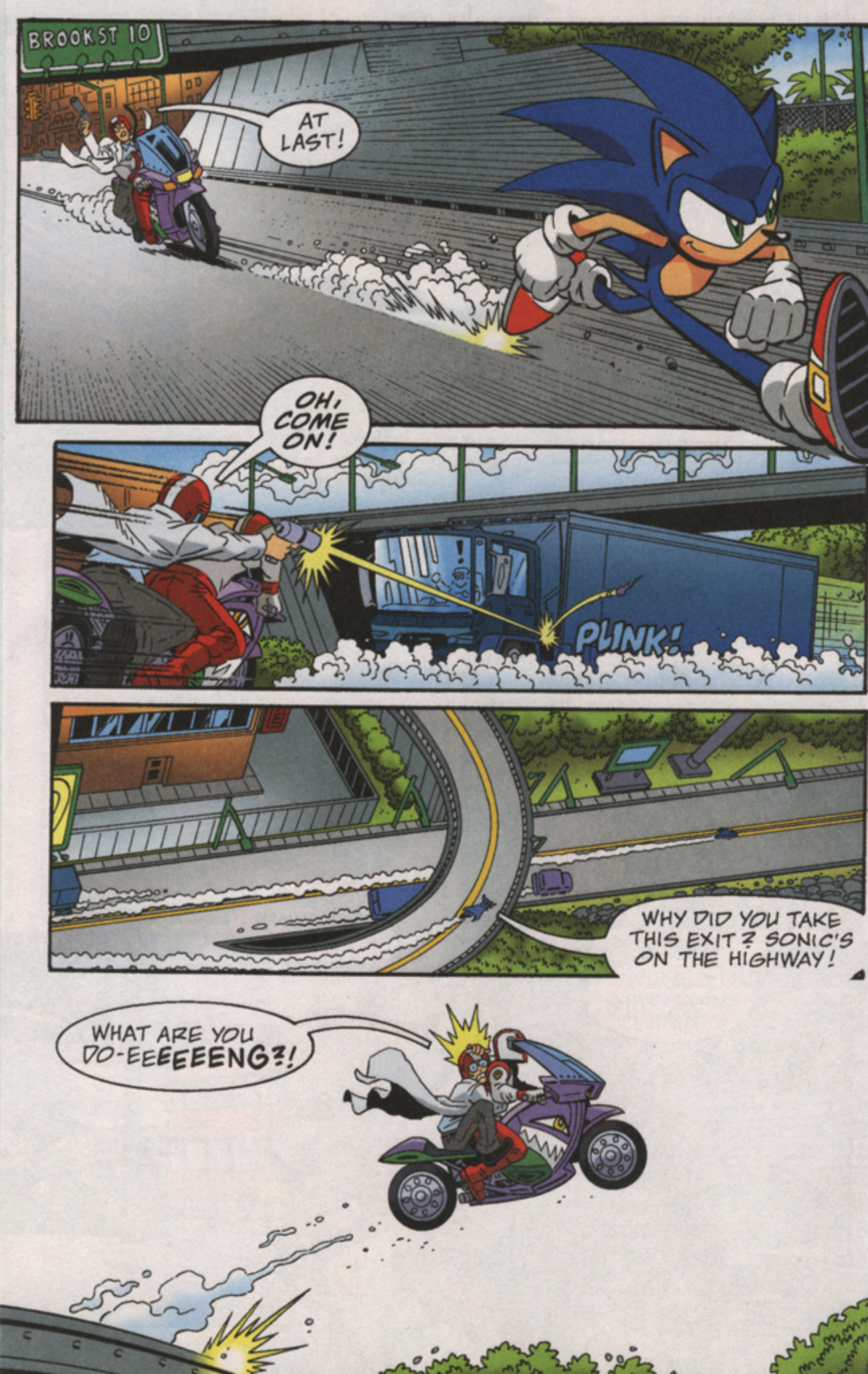
AHHH! OH NO!

QUIT YOUR WHINING, DOC! GET READY TO TAKE YOUR SHOT!



WE'RE APPROACHING THE HIGHWAY!

I WON'T MISS THIS TIME!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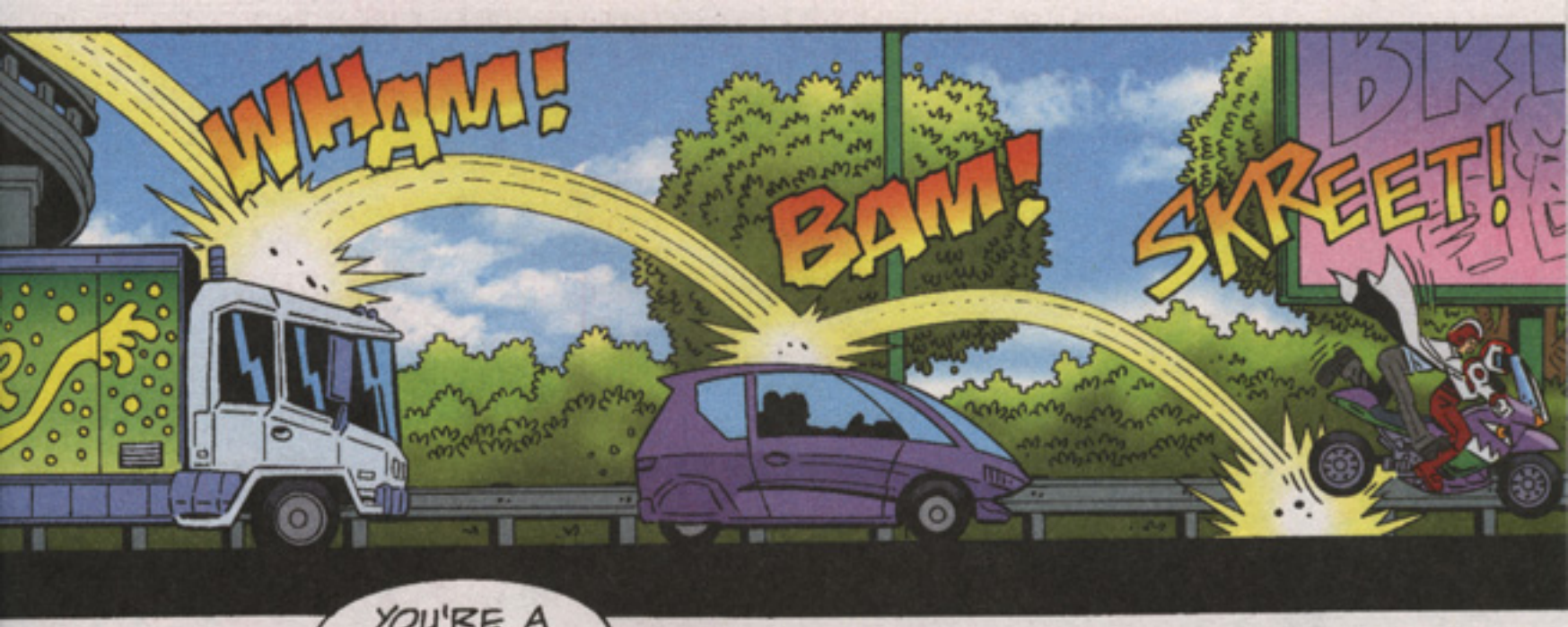
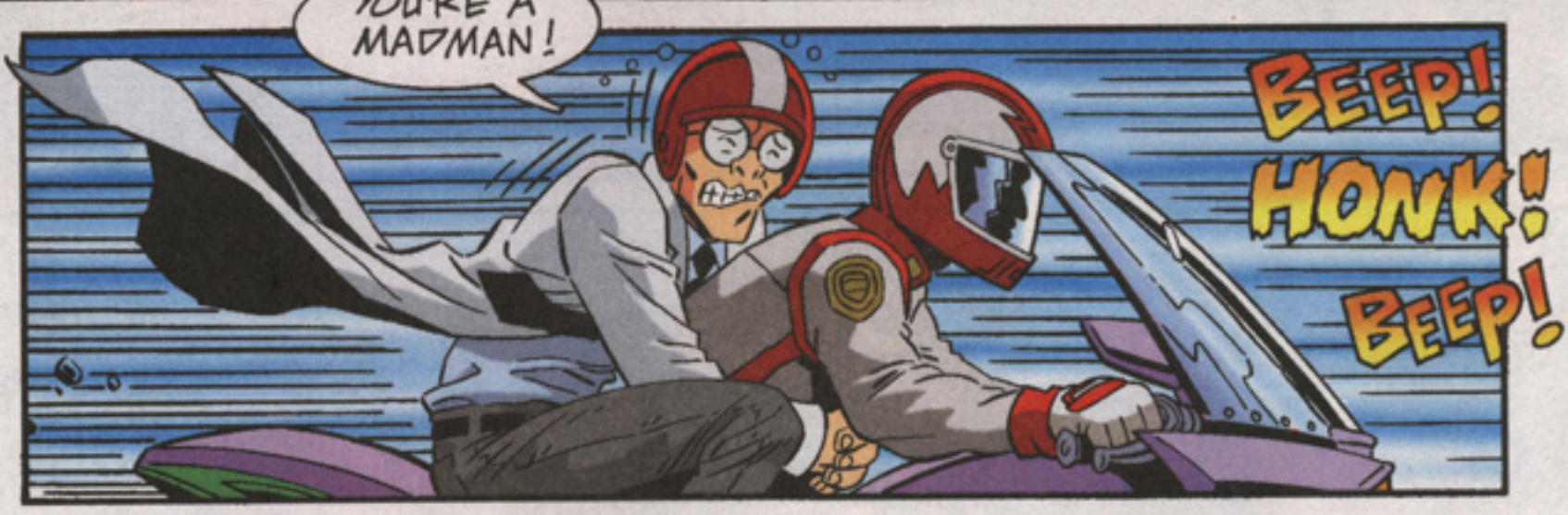
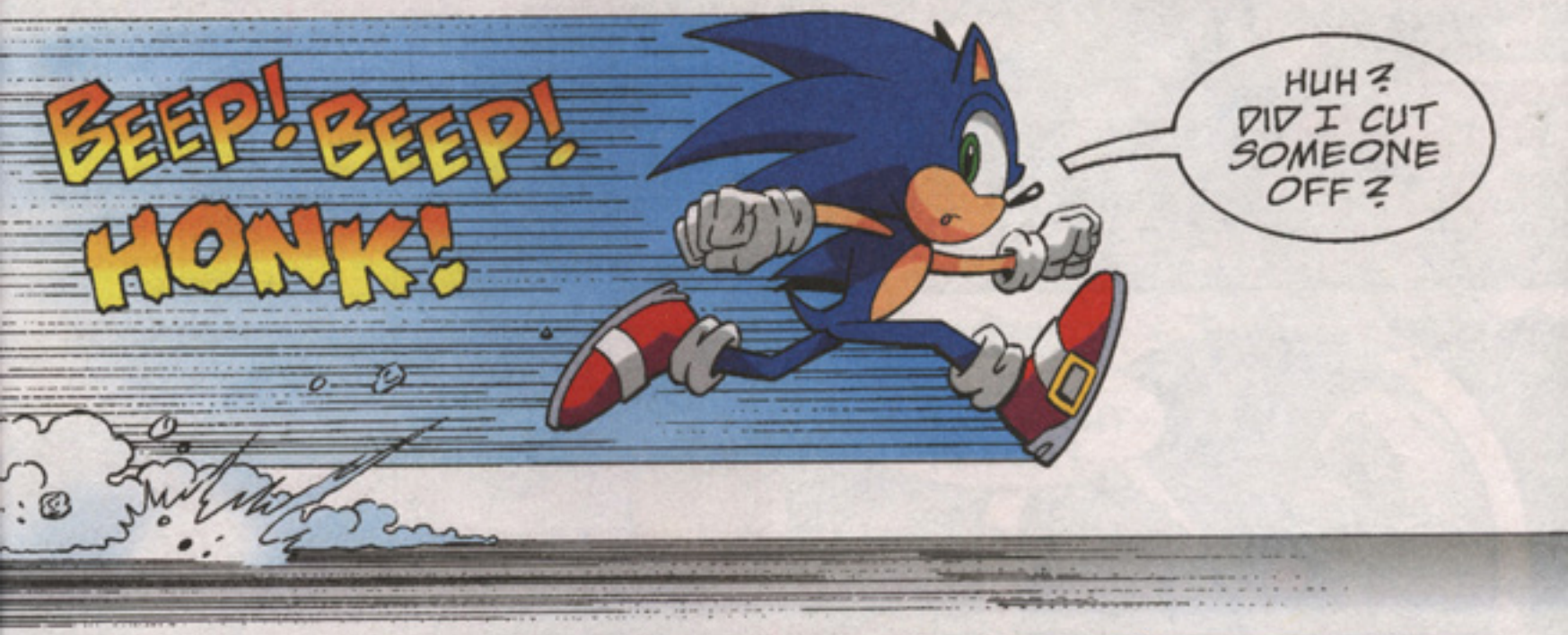
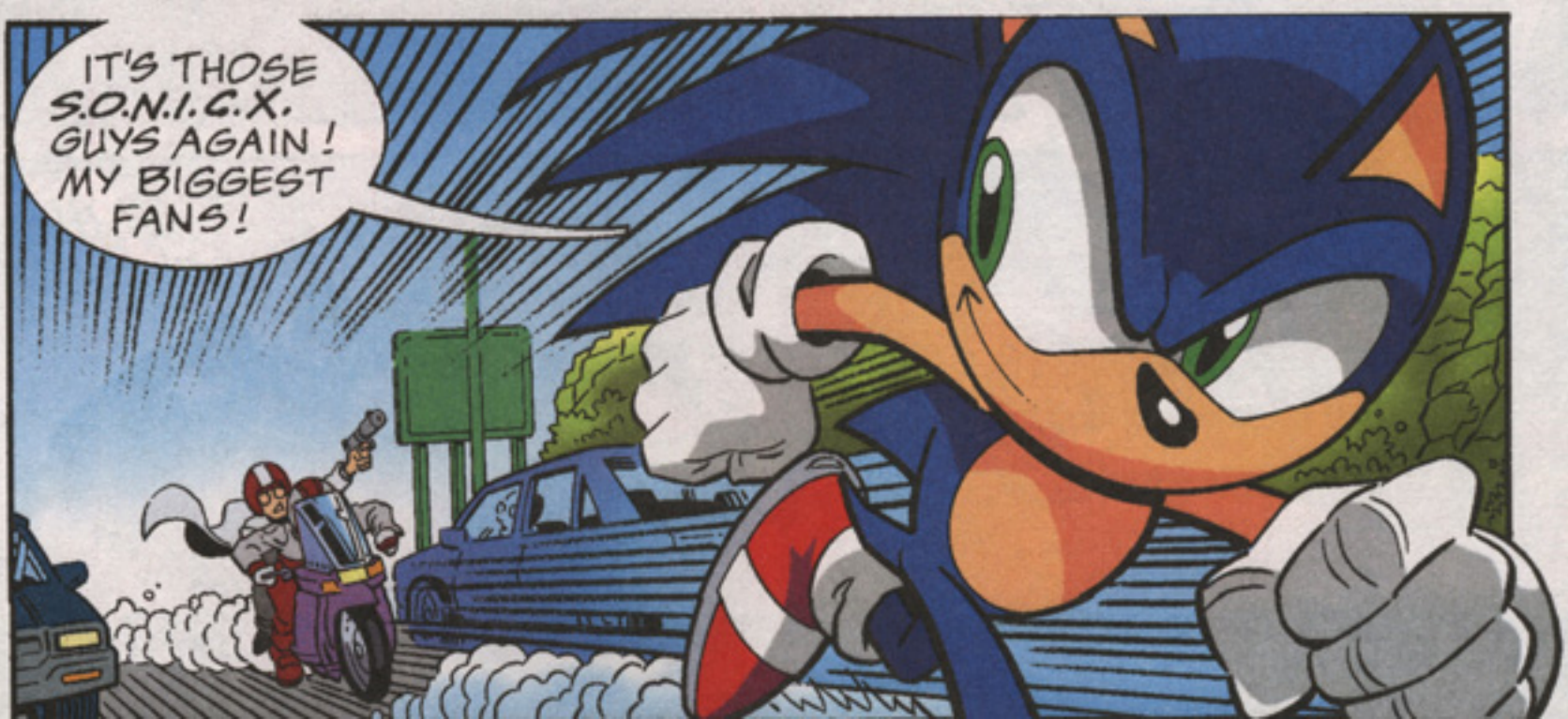
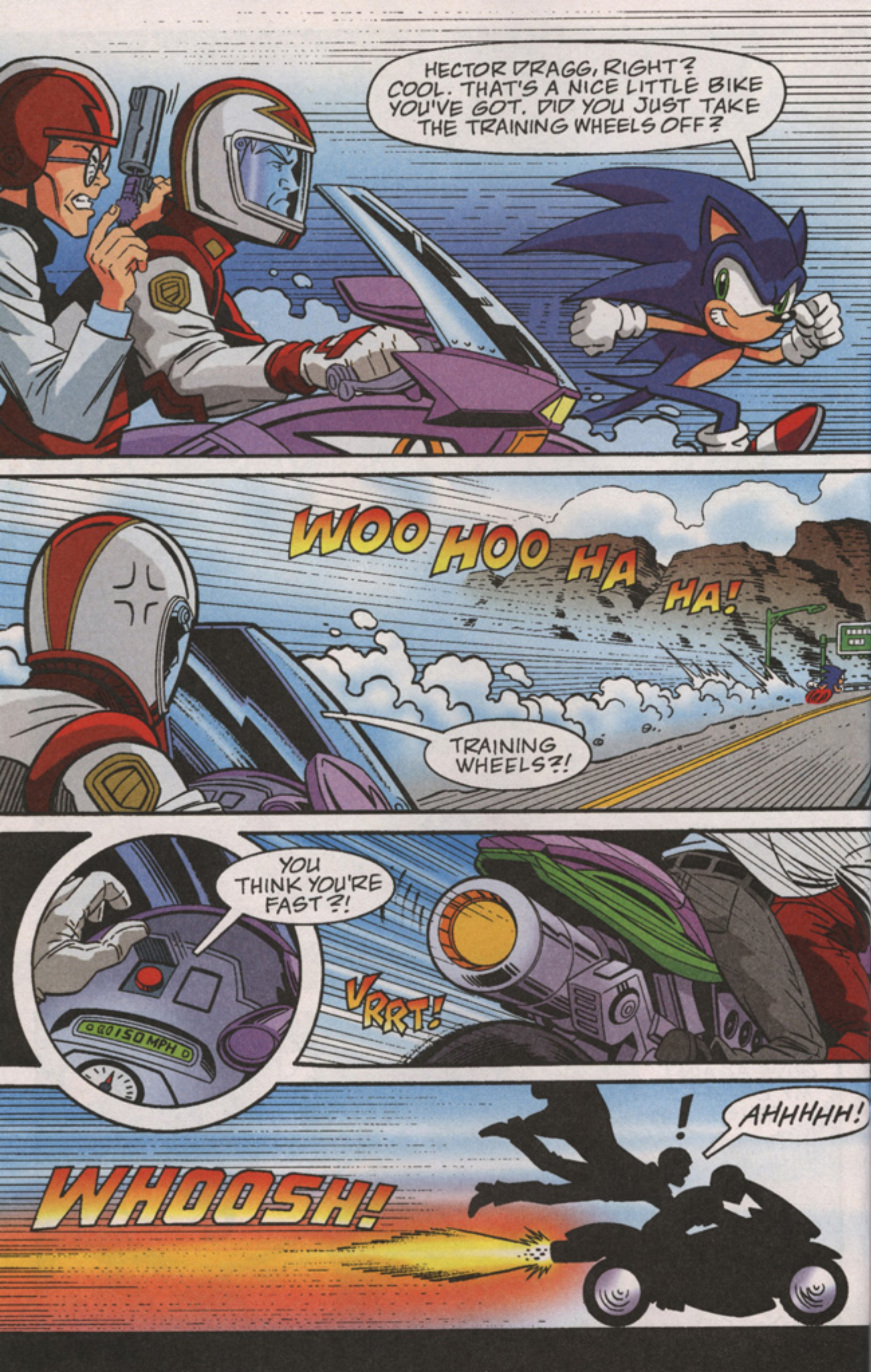
AT LAST!
OH, COME ON!
PLINK!
WHY DID YOU TAKE THIS EXIT? SONIC'S ON THE HIGHWAY!
WHAT ARE YOU DO-EEEEEENG?!


WHAM!
BAM!
SKREET!


YOU'RE A MADMAN!
BEEP! HONK! BEEP!


BEEP! BEEP! HONK!
HUH? DID I CUT SOMEONE OFF?


IT'S THOSE S.O.N.I.C.X. GUYS AGAIN! MY BIGGEST FANS!


HECTOR DRAGG, RIGHT? COOL. THAT'S A NICE LITTLE BIKE YOU'VE GOT. DID YOU JUST TAKE THE TRAINING WHEELS OFF?
WOO HOO HA HA!
TRAINING WHEELS?!
YOU THINK YOU'RE FAST?!
150 MPH
VRRT!
WHOOSH!
!
AHHHHH!

IMPRESSIVE!

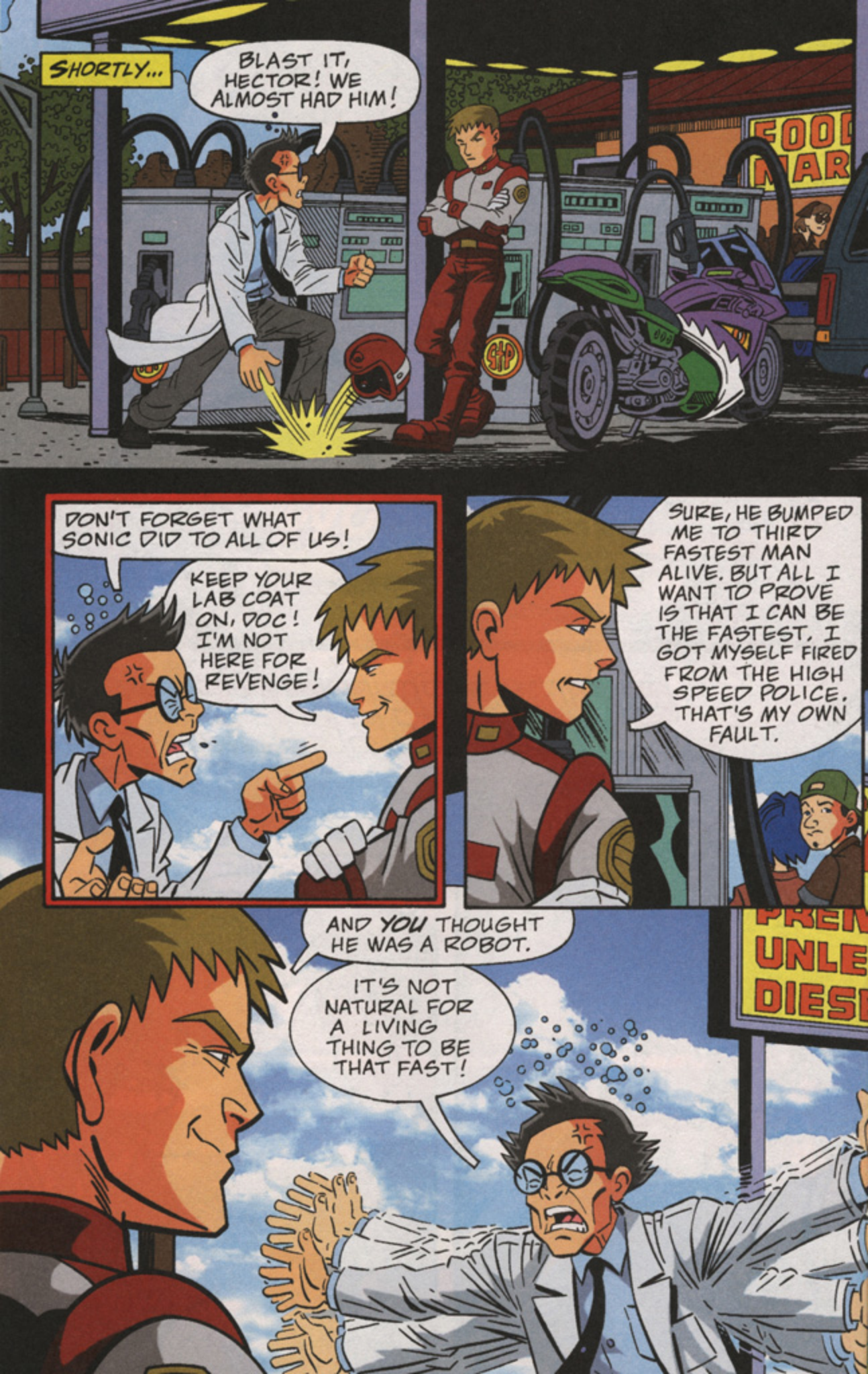
AFTER YOU!

SCREEEEEEEEEEEEEE

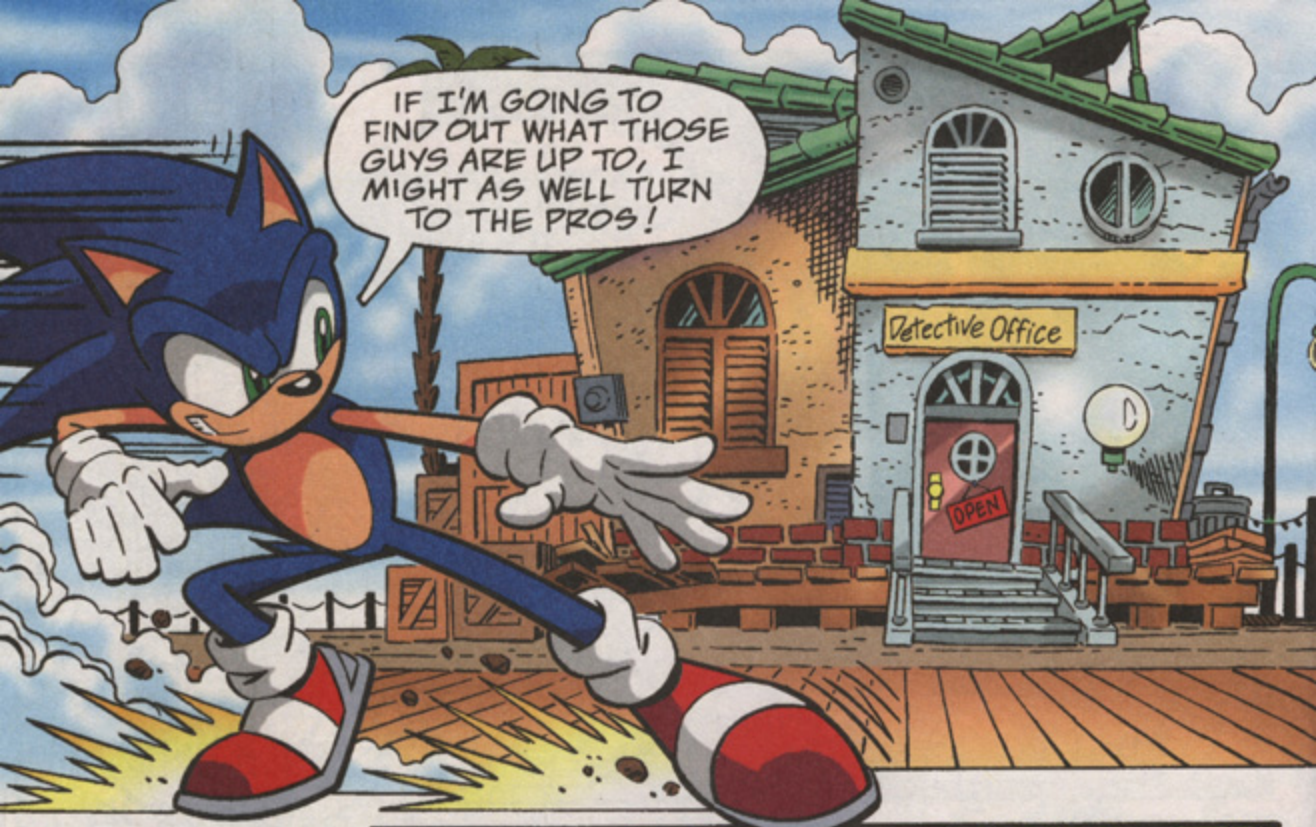
HA! I DID IT! I PASSED HIM!

YES. AND NOW WE'VE LOST HIM.

SHOOT.


SHORTLY...
BLAST IT, HECTOR! WE ALMOST HAD HIM!
DON'T FORGET WHAT SONIC DID TO ALL OF US!
KEEP YOUR LAB COAT ON, DOC! I'M NOT HERE FOR REVENGE!
SURE, HE BUMPED ME TO THIRD FASTEST MAN ALIVE. BUT ALL I WANT TO PROVE IS THAT I CAN BE THE FASTEST. I GOT MYSELF FIRED FROM THE HIGH SPEED POLICE. THAT'S MY OWN FAULT.
AND YOU THOUGHT HE WAS A ROBOT.
IT'S NOT NATURAL FOR A LIVING THING TO BE THAT FAST!

MY RESEARCH MADE AN AIR-TIGHT CASE! HE STILL DEFIES ALL THE RULES OF--!
SAVE IT, PROFESSOR! HE'S HEADING BACK FOR THE CITY!
I WISH THE SPEED DEMON WAS BACK FROM THE SHOP.* I MISS SEATBELTS!
GAS 'n' GO Food Mart
GAL MILK 2.39
SKREEEET!
YOU'RE OH-FOR-FIVE, KAI. YOU'VE GOT ONE DART LEFT!
I WON'T MISS THIS TIME!
* IT GOT SMASHED LAST ISSUE-- WHOOPS!


IF I'M GOING TO FIND OUT WHAT THOSE GUYS ARE UP TO, I MIGHT AS WELL TURN TO THE PROS!
Detective Office
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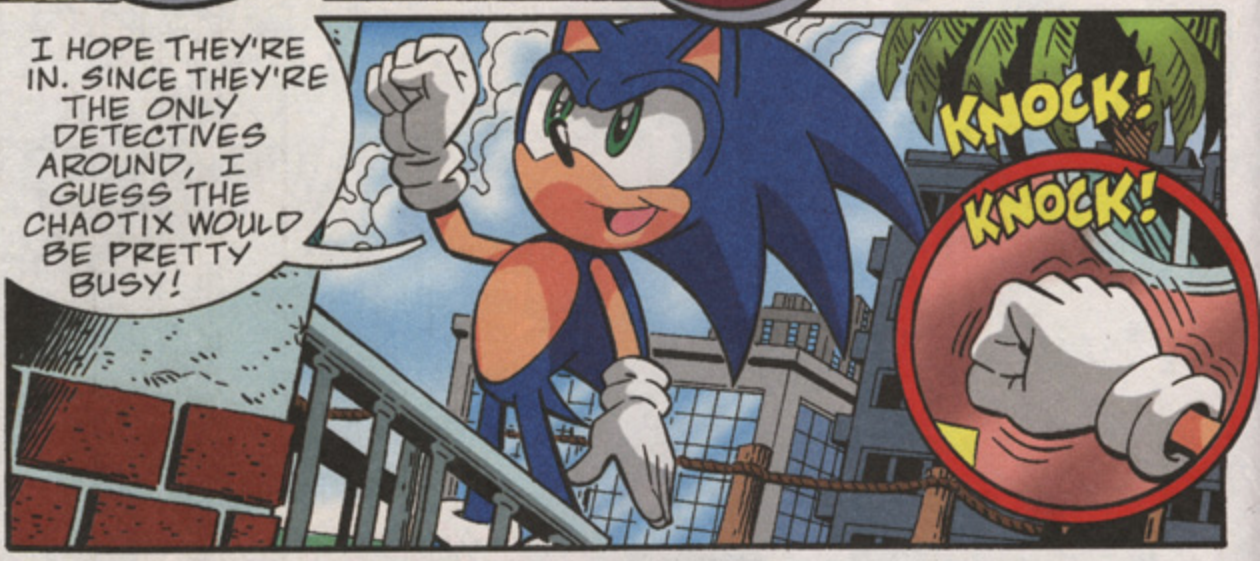
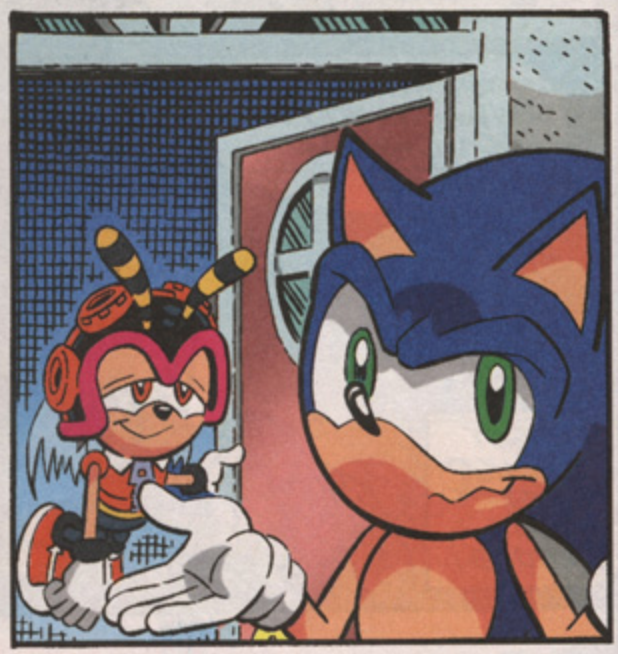

I HOPE THEY'RE IN. SINCE THEY'RE THE ONLY DETECTIVES AROUND, I GUESS THE CHAOTIX WOULD BE PRETTY BUSY!
KNOCK!
KNOCK!

YAWN! SORRY, SONIC, VECTOR SAYS WE'RE NOT IN RIGHT NOW. AND IT'S NOT BECAUSE WE'RE NAPPING.



HEY, GUYS!

SNZRK! I WAS MEDITATING!

WANTED

WUAGH! THE CHECK'S IN THE MAIL!

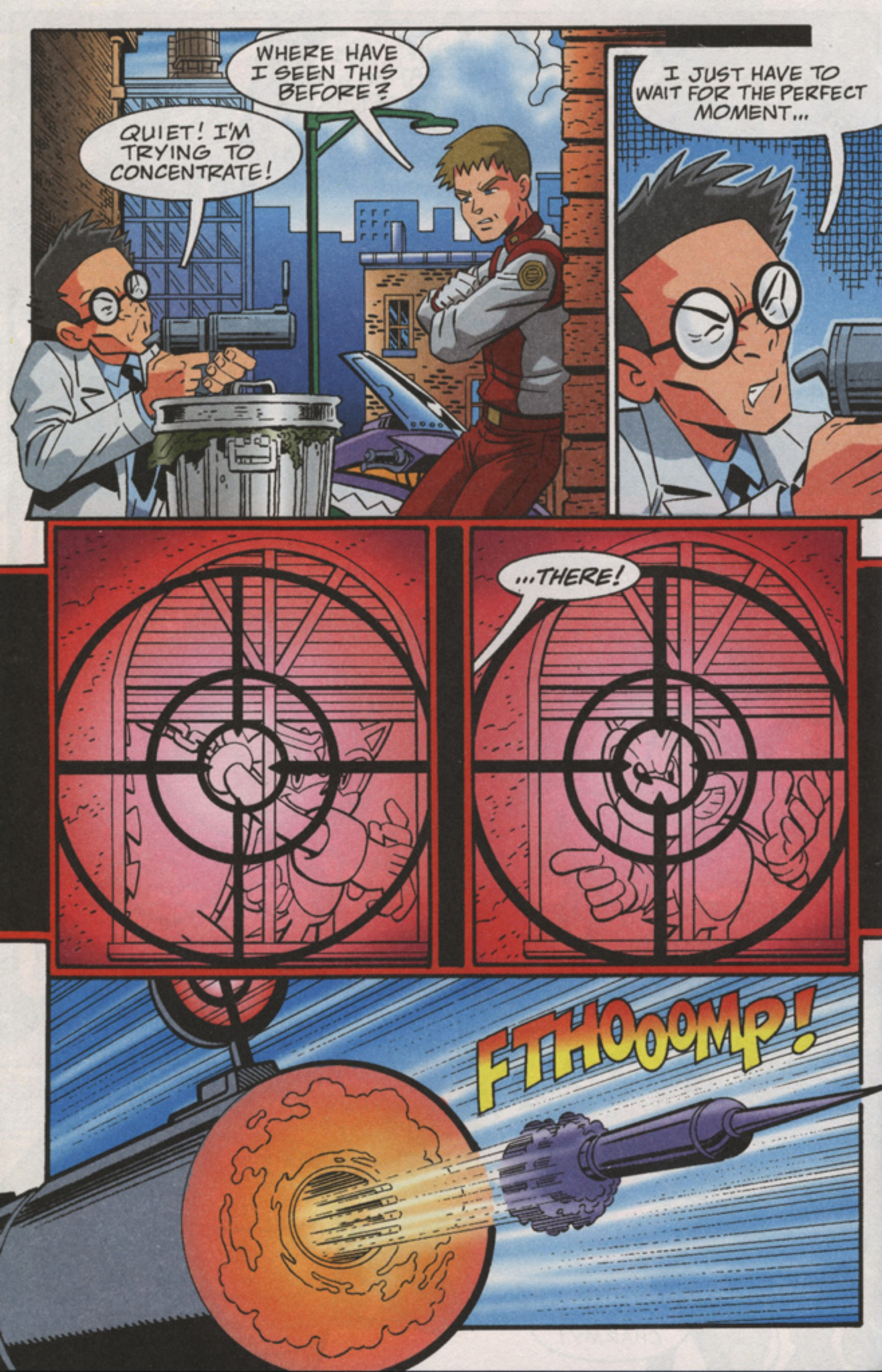
SORRY TO WAKE YOU UP.

WE'LL TAKE THE CASE!

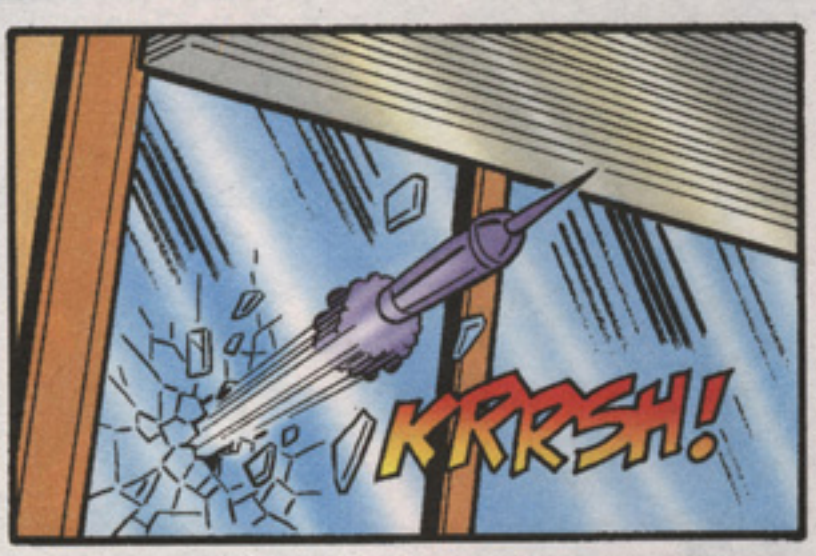
YAY! WE'VE GOT A CASE!

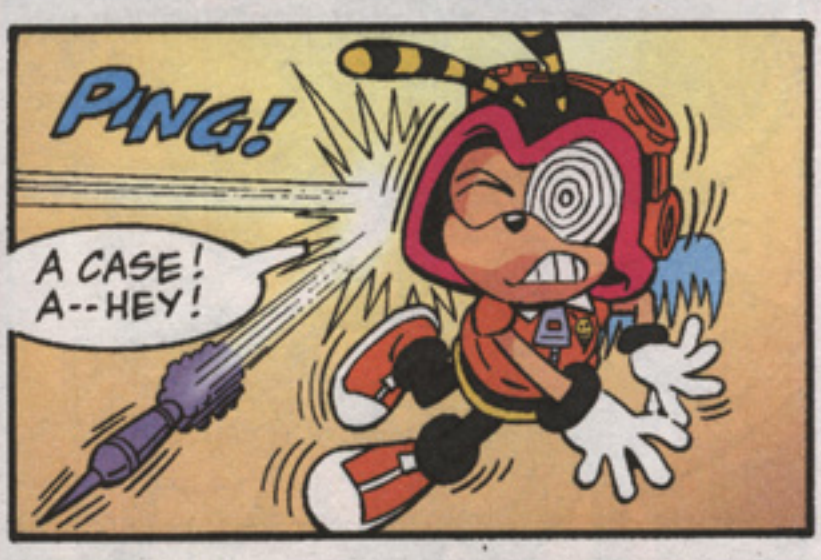
WANTED

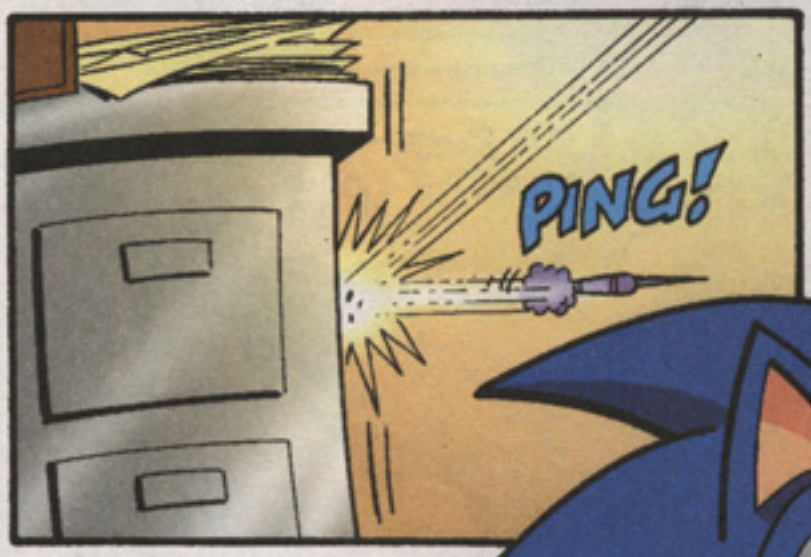
CHILL OUT, CHARMY!


WHERE HAVE I SEEN THIS BEFORE?
QUIET! I'M TRYING TO CONCENTRATE!
I JUST HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE PERFECT MOMENT...
...THERE!
FTHOOOMP!

A CASE!
A CASE!
WEE! A CASE!

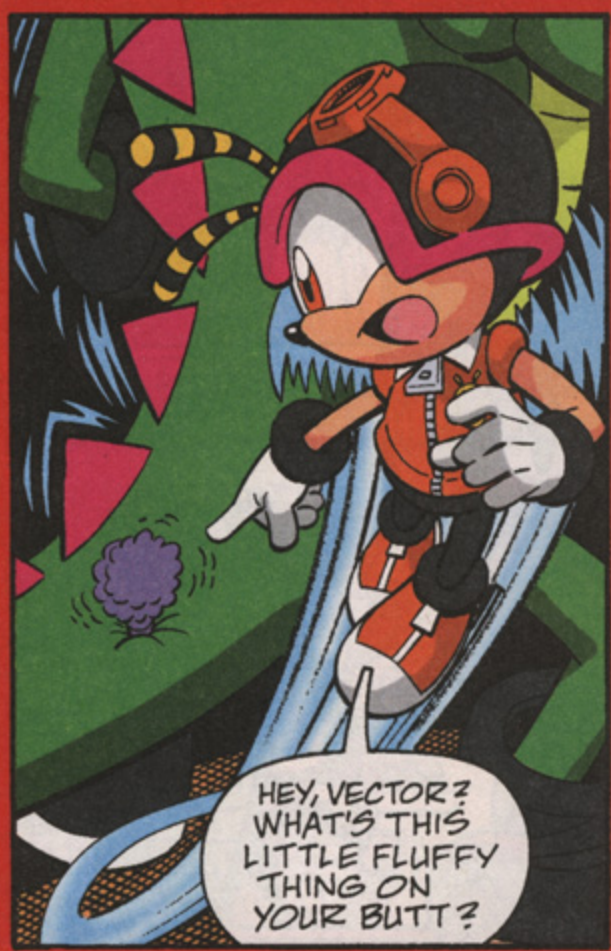


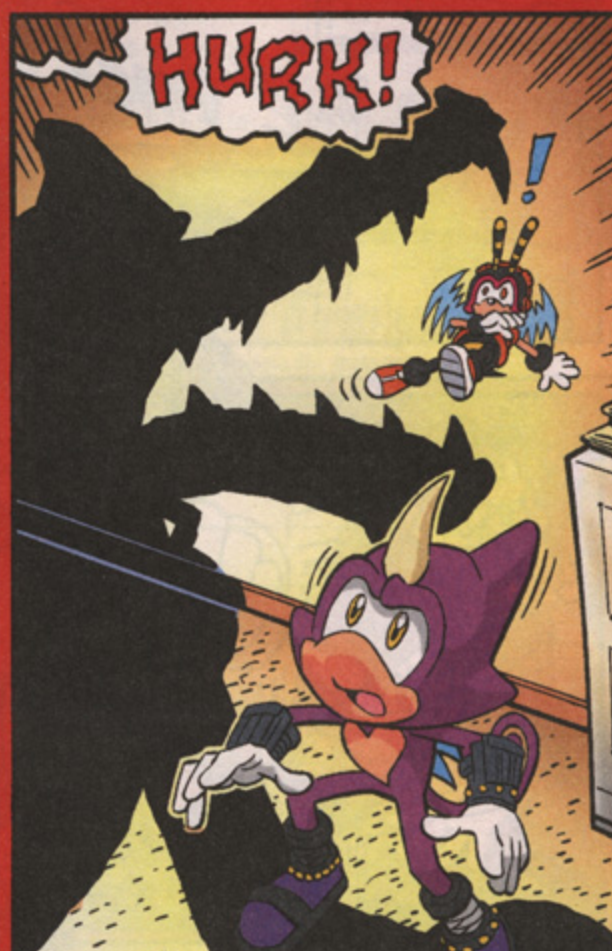




WELL, AT LEAST NOBODY GOT HURT, RIGHT?

WHAT'S UP WITH YOU?


HEY, VECTOR? WHAT'S THIS LITTLE FLUFFY THING ON YOUR BUTT?


HURK!
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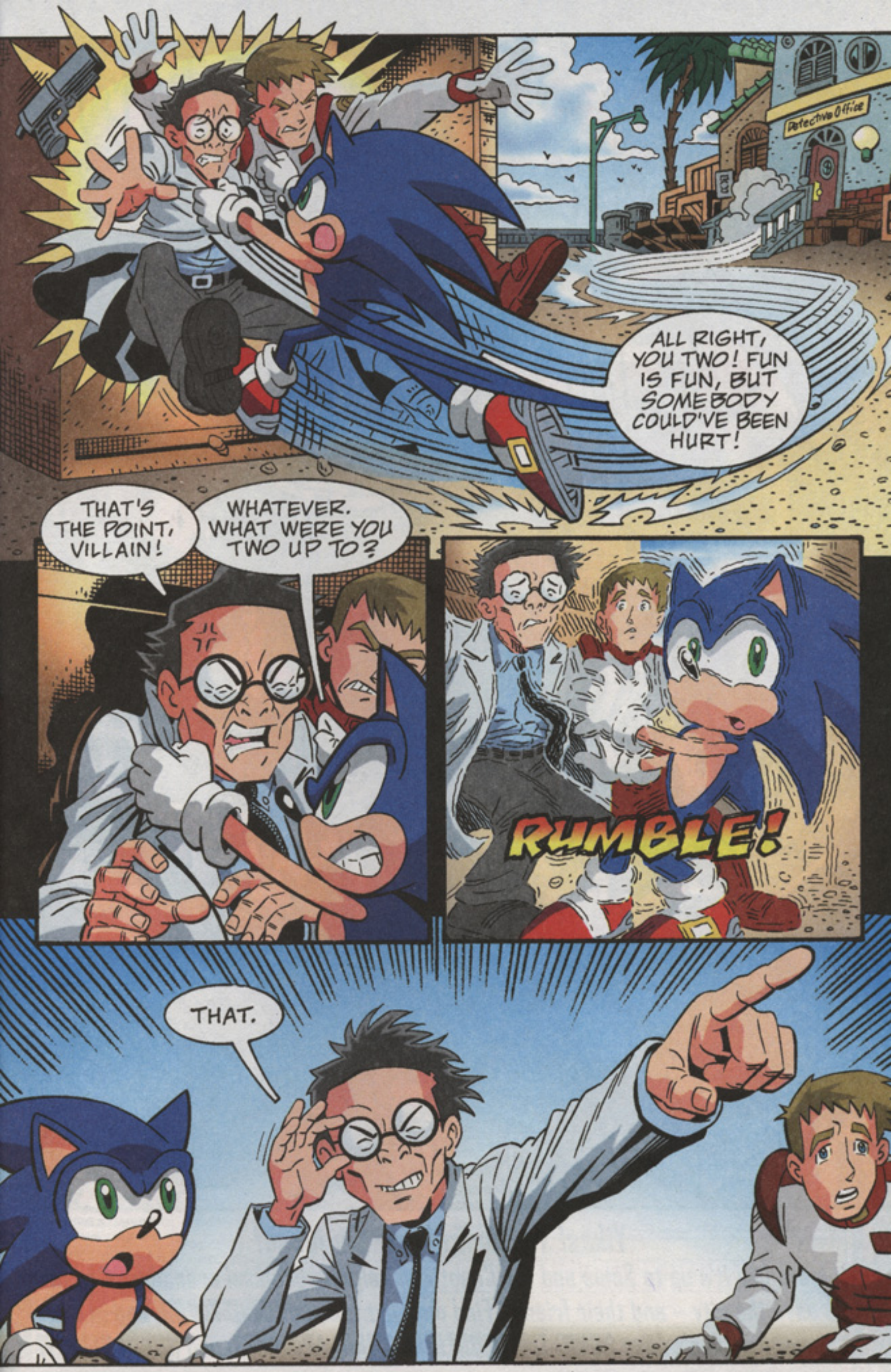
Detective Office
ALL RIGHT, YOU TWO! FUN IS FUN, BUT SOMEBODY COULD'VE BEEN HURT!
THAT'S THE POINT, VILLAIN!
WHATEVER. WHAT WERE YOU TWO UP TO?
RUMBLE!
THAT.

Yikes! Vector-zilla on the loose!

It looks like it's up to Sonic and the Chaotix to help the colossal crocodile...Can they save the city – and their friend? Find out next time in SONIC X #39, and in the meantime, don't miss SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, SONIC ARCHIVES, and SONIC SELECT!